[Translation]

Funds for Cultural Heritage

2369. SHRIMATI KAMAL RANI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the amount allocated for creating awareness towards cultural heritage in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether funds have not been allocated for Kanpur rural and Kanpur Urban for cultural heritage;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the amount likely to be allocated for Kanpur rural and Kanpur Urban for creating awareness towards cultural heritage during 1997-98?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) A recurring grant of Rs. 4.17 lakhs was given to Vrindaban Research Institute, Vrindaban on equal matching share basis of Uttar Pradesh, Government for salary and maintenance from 1989-1995. The institute is engaged in Cultural Heritage in Uttar Pradesh. This year, the grant is proposed to be enhanced to Rs. 10.00 lakhs annually.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Not applicable

(d) Not applicable

[English]

Standard of Education in K.Vs

2370. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether any complaints have been received regarding the quality of teaching/administration at some of the Kendriya Vidyalayas;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action, the Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) to (c) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has received a few representations from Vidyalaya Management Committees and parents regarding unsatisfactory performance in some Kendriya Vidyalayas. The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has taken a number of measures to improve academic performance of its Vidyalayas like better supervision of academic activities, streamlining of recruitment procedure of teachers and encouragement of co-curricular activities.

Emeritus Fellowship in IITs

2371. SHRI SHANTILAL PARSOTAMDAS PATEL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) total number and amount of All India Council of Techinacal Education (AICTE) Emeritus Fellowship given to various Engineering Colleges during the last three years;

(b) total number and amount of AICTE Emeritus Fellowships awarded to different Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) during the above period;

(c) whether the faculty members of IITs enjoy various grants from Government and other sources during their working period as compared to the Faculty members in the Engineering Colleges all over the country;

(d) if so, whether the Government would review its policy and stop awarding such Fellowships to IITs and divert the Fellowships to the Engineering Colleges; and

(e) if not, steps proposed by the Government to prevent the present injustice being done to the Faculty members of Engineering Colleges?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) to (e) The AICTE scheme of Emeritus Fellowship is awarded to highly qualified and experienced superannuated professors (individual) in Institutions\Universities\Colleges who have been actively engaged in research and teaching in Technical Education. The scheme enables them to pursue active research in their fields of specialisation. The Institution\University\Colleges to work is proposed by the individual applicant which is expected to allow the Fellow to use Office, Library and laboratory facilities. The fellowship is for a period of two years only from the date of joining to the fellowship or upto 65 years whichever is earlier. The fellowship carries a fixed honorarium of Rs. 5,000/- per month in addition to provident fund/pension drawn by the Emeritus Fellow and a contingent grant of Rs. 20,000/- per annum.

During the last three years 54 Emeritus Fellowships have been awarded by the AICTE. 16 out of these Fellows are working in IITs and the remaining 38 are working in other institutions in the country.

Ancialliary Units for Ordnance Factories

2372. SHRI K. KANDASAMY :

SHRI C. NARASIMHAN :

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are any proposal to set up Ancialliary Unit in the country especially in South to meet and augment the needs of Ordnance Factories;